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APPLICANT: Dapprich et al.

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FOR: METHOD FOR SELECTIVELY ISOLATING A NUCLEIC ACID

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Response to December 12, 2002 Office Action

In response to the Office Action mailed December 12, 2002 ("Office Action"), Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks.

Please amend the application as follows.

In the claims: